IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

an emitting layer between a pair of electrodes that are an anode and a cathode, and

an electron injecting layer and an electron-injection-suppressing layer between the cathode and the emitting layer, the electron-injection-suppressing layer regulating the amount of electrons supplied to the emitting layer,

the electron mobility of the electron-injection-suppressing layer being smaller than the electron mobility of the electron injecting layer, [[and]]

the electron mobility of the electron injecting layer being greater than the electron mobility of tris(8-quinolinolato)aluminum ~~complex~~, and

the electron injecting layer comprising a compound represented by the following formula:

$$HAr—L^3—Ar^7—Ar^8$$

wherein HAr is a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring which has 3 to 40 carbon atoms and may have a substituent; $L^3$ is a single bond, an arylene group which as 6 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent, a heteroarylene group which has 3 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent, or a fluorenylene group which may have a substituent; Ar7 is an anthracene ring which may have a substituent; and $Ar^8$ is an aryl group which has 6 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent or a heteroaryl group which has 3 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 1, wherein the affinity level (Af1) of the emitting layer, the affinity level (Af2) of the electron-injection-suppressing layer and the affinity level (Af3) of the electron injecting layer satisfy the following relationship,

$Af1 < Af2, Af3 \leq Af2.$

4. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 1, wherein the electron injecting layer comprises a nitrogen-containing cyclic compound, a silicon-containing cyclic compound or a boron-containing compound.

5. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 1, wherein the electron injecting layer comprises a nitrogen-containing cyclic compound.

6. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 1, wherein the electron-injection-suppressing layer comprises a nitrogen-containing cyclic compound.

7. - 10. (Cancelled)